

Alternatives to rock salt for drives/walkways

The least expensive, non-corrosive alternative for providing traction on icy surfaces is sand or cat litter. Eco-friendly de-icing products such as those shown below are available at local home and garden stores.



Snow Joe AZ-25-IB-BKT Melt-2-Go 25 lbs ~ \$30

- Eco, pet- and kid friendly
- Enhanced with CMA (calcium magnesium acetate) for fast and effective results
- Color-coated crystals help visually measure and dispense the right amount
- Convenient refillable bucket with handy measuring scoop for easy dispensing
- Long lasting, time-relaxed formula provides superior traction control
- Will not harm grass, wood, concrete, metals, or other vegetation
- **MELTS DOWN TO -20°F:** MELT Beet It effectively melts ice and snow on contact, even at temperatures as low as -20°F.
- **SLEET AND FREEZING RAIN:** Apply early to prevent ice buildup.
- **WET/HEAVY SNOW:** Apply early to prevent bonding.
- **LARGE ACCUMULATION:** Clear excess snow, spread on stubborn ice or packed snow.

With the primary ingredient being natural beet juice, this Snow Joe product is their most environmentally friendly product. Its deicing ability is enhanced by the use of Calcium Magnesium Acetate (CMA). Although CMA is a refined chemical, it is one of the safest. CMA is noncorrosive, does not irritate the skin and does not harm plants if used as directed.

This natural blend is able to provide ice melt down to -25°F and is suitable for ambient temperatures down to -20°F. For an all-natural, environmentally friendly product, Snow Joe AZ-25-IB-BKT Melt-2-Go is remarkably effective. It will provide ice melt protection for up to 20-hours, which is not much less than the premium Snow Joe ice melt products.



Snow Joe MELT25EB-BKT EB (Enviro Blend). 25 lbs ~ \$12

- Eco, pet- and kid-friendly
- Formulated with Pet Friendly Ingredients
- Protects Surrounding Hardscapes and Softscapes*
- Fewer Applications Required to Achieve Superior Performance
- Reduces Damage Towards Vegetation and Concrete*
- Formulated to Provide Soil Supporting Compounds
- Reduces Corrosion Towards Metals
- Anti-Caking Agents Added for Extended Shelf Life
- Enhanced with CMA (calcium magnesium acetate) for fast and effective results
- Color-coated crystals help to visually measure and dispense the right amount
- Convenient refillable dispenser bucket with handy scoop
- Long lasting, time-relaxed formula provides superior traction control
- Will not harm grass, wood, concrete, metals, or other vegetation
- Net weight: 25 lbs
- FAST ACTING: MELT EB goes to work immediately upon contact with snow and ice to accelerate the deicing and melting process. Pre-treating surfaces with MELT EB will also prevent ice and snow from accumulating.
- LONG LASTING: Stays on the surface area longer for added protection and better control of the freeze/thaw cycle.
- Will not dry out or irritate the skin and can be safely and easily dispensed without requiring the use of protective clothing.
- Will not track onto your home's floors or carpets, so you can safely tread your footwear onto any treated surface without worry of damage to your shoes or your home

Snow Joe also offers a highly effective pet safe ice melt that uses *CMA (calcium magnesium acetate)* as the main ingredient. It goes to work very quickly and also has a time-delayed formula to last longer. It's perfectly safe for pets and children as well as being one of the better ice melt products for use on metal, wood, or concrete. It also doesn't harm plants if used correctly.

This product comes in a 25-LB bucket with 25-LB or 50-LB refill bags also available. There's an option to get this product in a small 10-LB jug. One of the extra advantages to using Snow Joe MELT25EB-BKT pet safe ice melt is that doesn't leave a residue and you won't be tracking mess into your home.